

**CHAP. 84.** ing destroyed, and the business of his office retarded and disturbed; therefore,

A house to be provided

1. **BE IT ENACTED**, by the *General Assembly of Maryland*, That the levy court of Washington county be, and they are hereby authorised and directed, forthwith to provide a suitable house in Hagerstown for the reception of the records of the county, and for the use of the clerk of the county, until the completion of the new court-house.

Expenses to be paid by levy court

2. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That the rent and other expenses accruing upon the removal of said office, shall be paid and defrayed by the levy court of said county, out of any unappropriated funds, or by a levy upon the taxable property of the county.

#### CHAP. LXXXV.

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*A Further Additional Supplement to the act(a), entitled, An act relating to the Public Roads in this State, and to repeal the Act of Assembly therein mentioned. Lib. TH. No. 5. fol. 225.*

(a) 1794, ch. 52.—See 1804, ch. 9.

Preamble

**WHEREAS** it is represented to this general assembly, that in Allegany county the present law relating to the public roads have been found inconvenient and inadequate to the purposes for which they were intended; therefore,

Levy authorised for keeping roads in repair

1. **BE IT ENACTED**, by the *General Assembly of Maryland*, That the justices of the levy court of Allegany county, at their annual meeting for the purpose of levying the public assessment, shall levy, by equal assessment on the assessable property within said county, a sum of money not exceeding fifty cents on every hundred dollars of assessable property, to be collected as other county charges are, and paid to the justices of the levy court, or their order, and shall be applied towards straightening, amending, and keeping in repair, the public roads, as directed by the act to which this is an additional supplement.

Duty of supervisors

2. **AND BE IT ENACTED**, That it shall be the duty of the supervisors, and they are hereby required, before they begin to straighten, amend or repair, any public road within their respective districts, to give public notice, by advertisement to be set up at the most public places in their district, in order that the inhabitants may have an opportunity of labouring upon the said public roads; and it shall be the duty of the several supervisors, in hiring labourers to keep in repair the public roads, to give a preference to taxables, until they shall have laboured to the probable amount of their road tax.

Vacancies, how to be supplied

3. **AND BE IT ENACTED**. That any supervisor who shall be appointed by virtue of the act to which this is an additional supplement, shall refuse to act, or be disqualified, or die, it shall and may be lawful for any two justices of the peace of said county to supply such vacancy so happening, by appointing another suitable person, who shall give bond to the said justices, in the same manner, and under the same penalty, as if such supervisor had been appointed by the levy court of said county; and the said justices shall return the bond so taken to the clerk of the county, to be recorded, and shall certify every such appointment, under their hands, to the clerk of the county court, who shall receive the same, and shall forthwith issue a warrant to the person so appointed, and deliver the same to the sheriff, to be delivered to the party, in the